

■ \$350,000 SETTLEMENT

Insurance settles car crash lawsuit

MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION

- **Venue:** St. Louis County Circuit Court
- **Case Number/Date:** 115L-CC01901/May 21, 2012
- **Judge:** David L. Vincent III
- **Special Damages:** Past medical expenses of \$111,877
- **Insurer:** State Farm
- **Caption:** Shannon Dempsey-Lyon v. Linda Prindiville
- **Plaintiff's Attorneys:** Andrew Mundwiller and Zane T. Cagle, The Cagle Law Firm, St. Louis
- **Defendant's Attorney:** Kenneth M. Lander, Kortenhof McGlynn & Burns, St. Louis

After mediation failed, a defendant's insurance agreed to settle a plaintiff's lawsuit over car crash injuries.

In 2010, plaintiff Shannon Dempsey-Lyon was driving to work in Manchester when her car collided with Linda Prindiville's car. Dempsey-Lyon alleged she sustained neck, arm and thumb injuries from the crash.

Both women claimed to have the right of way, Dempsey-Lyon's attorney Andrew Mundwiller said. Dempsey-Lyon claimed she had a green light as she entered the intersection of Manchester and Sulphur Spring roads, while Prindiville said Dempsey-Lyon changed lanes quickly, causing the collision as Prindiville turned left.

The parties agreed to pre-trial mediation, which failed. But a week after the failed mediation attempt, they reached a \$350,000 settlement, Mundwiller said. Prindiville's attorney declined to comment.

By Melissa Meinzer